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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

No. 06-30074

Plaintiff - Appellee,

D.C. No. CR-04-02093-FVS

v.

MEMORANDUM*

DOMINGO CAMPOS-REYES,

Defendant - Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington Fred L. Van Sickle, Chief Judge, Presiding

Submitted July 17, 2006**

Before: B. FLETCHER, HAWKINS and THOMAS, Circuit Judges.

Domingo Campos-Reyes appeals the sentence imposed following his guilty plea to being an alien in the United States after deportation in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1326.

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^{**} This panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

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We have reviewed the record and the opening brief. We conclude that the questions raised in this appeal are so insubstantial as not to require further argument. *See United States v. Hooton*, 693 F.2d 857, 858 (9th Cir. 1982) (per curiam) (stating standard).

Appellant's contention that the temporal relationship of the removal to the prior conviction is beyond the scope of the Supreme Court's recidivism exception is foreclosed by *United States v. Castillo-Rivera*, 244 F.3d 1020, 1025 (9th Cir. 2001). Further, the Supreme Court's decision in *Almendarez-Torres v. United States*, 523 U.S. 224, 247 (1998), remains binding on this court. *See United States v. Weiland*, 420 F.3d 1062, 1079 n.16 (9th Cir. 2005); *see also United States v. Beng-Salazar*, No. 04-50518, 2006 WL 1843394 (9th Cir. July 6, 2006).

Accordingly, the government's motion for summary affirmance of the district court's judgment is granted.

AFFIRMED.